

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA**

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VIALE AND UNVIALE PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) the norms laid down for declaring a rail project as viable or unviable;
- (b) the number of projects declared as unuseful after conducting survey during the Ninth Five Year Plan and the details of expenditure incurred thereon, project-wise;
- (c) whether there is any provision to revive unuseful projects;
- (d) if so, the details thereof; and
- (e) the details of projects which are likely to be revived during the Tenth Five Year Plan?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA)

- (a): As per extant norms, a project is considered financially justified if it yields a return of not less than 14% under Discounted Cash Flow method.
- (b) to (e): A number of surveys have been carried out during Ninth Five Year Plan for the various project proposals. However, some proposals could not be taken up for implementation due to un-remunerative nature, constraint of resources and heavy throwforward of ongoing works and not by virtue of being declared as unuseful. The details of the surveys, alongwith the expenditure incurred, is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.